Public Safety

In the U.S., the Department of Justice considers a wildfire a serious crime. While the Department of Justice does not punish people for starting wildfires, it does assist federal agencies in holding those who are responsible accountable. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to our office.

Safety During Outage

It is a common belief that there is no need to be involved in a September–November event. However, it is a good idea to be prepared in case of a power outage. During the time there may be emergency power outages, the power company will shut off the power to prevent the spread of wildfires. Taking the following actions will help you be prepared for a potential power outage.

(A) Prepare for an emergency plan.

1. Make sure you have a home safety plan in place for your area. You can also find out what your neighbors are doing.
2. Have an escape route at your disposal in case of an emergency. You can find this route by asking your neighbors or your local safety officer.
3. Create a family emergency plan.
4. Be aware of any hazards in your area that could affect your escape route.
5. Make sure you have enough water and food to last several days.

(B) Prepare for a power outage.

1. Conserve power:
   - Turn off lights and unplug appliances when not in use.
   - Power down your appliances, especially those that are not essential.
   - Place your equipment in a safe location.
   - Save energy by using energy-efficient appliances.
2. Prepare for an outage:
   - Freeze ice packs or gallon-size plastic jugs of water. When your power goes out, you can put these frozen items in your fridge to keep them cool.
   - Extra batteries, or you can put your equipment in a safe location.
   - Conserve power by using energy-efficient appliances.
   - Make sure you have one or more flashlights for a power outage. You will also want to have an emergency plan that includes an emergency kit.

(C) Prepare for an emergency plan.

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If you ever have any questions or concerns about the communication you receive, get in touch with the nearest international student services office. This office can assist you in identifying potential scams and responding to any legitimate communication from a U.S. government official.

Learn more about safety on the Outages website.

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